The Obſervations of Mr. LILLIE;

and many Famous and Learned Divines, touching the preſent Viſitation of the

PLAGUE of PESTILENCE; With a Prayer to be uſed in all Families, for ſheathing of the Sword of the Deſtroying Angel, and to divert Gods heavy Judgments: As alſo ſeveral excellent Receipts & approved Medicines, as well for curing the Plague, as for preventing the further Infection: As hath formerly been approved of in the *Year*, 1625. when thirty five thouſand four hundred and twenty eight died of the Peſtilence; but by the bleſſing of God, and the ſingular operation and vertue of theſe following Receipts the Venome of this raging Diſtemper was expelled, and not one died; as appears by the *Wonderful Miracle of Mercy* recited in the *Margent*. With the number that now dies weekly of the preſent Viſitation, both in City and Suburbs.

WHereas it hath pleaſed *Almighty God* to Viſit this *Metropolis* with His preſent Judgments, and to ſtreatch forth his hand of Indignation againſt us; let every one therefore endeavour by Prayer and ſupplication to amend his life, to become new Creatures, to reforme themſelves of their wicked practiſes, and to renounce all ſinful wayes, to keep and obey Gods Commandements, and to prize the Holy Sabboth, and his bleſſed Ordinances; and that ye may all do, apply your ſelves to ſuch Rules and precepts that may bring happineſs to your immortal ſouls: and as the learned Divines, Mr. *Lillie* and ſeveral others obſerve, the only Plague-Water for this preſent Infection, is, to cleanſe and waſh your hearts of all filth and wickedneſs, to humble your ſelves under this preſent Judgment, and to forſake your ſins; that ſo the Lord may be pleaſed to command the ſlaying Angel to ſheath his word, and to put theſe Arrowes into the Quiver, which are now diſperſed into ſeveral parts of the City; and as God was graciouſly pleaſed to make a miraculous ſtop of the raging Peſtilence in the year 1625. when 35417 died of the Plague in *London* and the Liberties, and 54265 of other Diſeases; & in the midſt of our deſolation it pleaſed thee Lord moſt wonderfully to command health & ſalvation, and to reſtore us ſuddenly to joy and gladneſs: ſo Lord, we humbly beſeech thee, let thy infinite mercies ſurpaſs all our hopes; and be graciouſly pleaſed now againe to turn thy fury into Clemency, and to hear the Prayers of thy people, whoſe daily ſupplications we earneſtly implore may be amongſt all Families in manner and forme as followeth.

O Lord, God great Jehovah, *thou merciful Creator of mankind, Founder of Heaven and Earth, we (moſt miſerable and dejected ſinners) here preſent our ſelves before thy Heavenly Throne, intreating thee to look down upon us, poor diſtreſſed offenders; we confeſs we are unworthy of the name of thy Children, we have deſpiſed thy Love, and forſaken thy wayes, made ſlight of thy words, and refuſed thy Chaſtiſements, without thinking what we deſerve; we have not feared thy Judgments, nor dreaded thy threatnings; we have not ſought thy favours, nor liſtned after thy mercies; we have winked at our ſmall ſins, and ſmothered our great ſins; we have drawn down thy Judgments upon us, and thou haſt juſtly ſent the Plague of Peſtilence amongſt us: Our ſins are manifold, our tranſgreſſions without number, they have even ſought for Vengeance, and now according to our deſerts, thou haſt ſent the Deſtroying Angel to marke us out for Death. The graves ſeek to devour us, the Bells toul for us, Death and Time are agreed to carry us away; but in thy merciful help only there is hope, and on thee we depend for help: O help us good God. O ſpare us ſweet Saviour and as thou didſt ſpare in the time of King* David, *& Charged'ſt the deſtroying Angel to ceaſe, ſo we beſeech thee now to ſpare thy people, ceaſe thy anger, take we intreat thee this Plague of Peſtilence from us, with-hold back thy wrath, and as thou ſoared'ſt the repenting* Ninivites, *ſo make us repent, and ſave this City and Nation. O Lord help us unfeignedly to bewail our former life paſt, and ſeek effectual amendment for a better life hereafter, to which better life preſently bring us, Lord we beſeech thee, and therein hold us for ever by the power of thy grace in Ieſus Chriſt, to whom with thee O Father, and the Bleſſed Spirit, be glory by us, for all thy mercies on us, now and ever,* Amen.

Certain approved Medicines for the Plague, *both to prevent that* Contagion, *and to expel it after it be taken; as have been approved of in the year* 1625. *when Thirty-five thouſand four-hundred twenty-eight died of the* Plague *in one year; as alſo in this preſent Viſitation,* 1665.

1. A cheap Medicine to keep them from Infection is, Take a pinte of new Milk, and cut two Cloves of Garlick very ſmall, put it in the Milk, and drink it every Morning faſting, and it preventeth Infection. 2. A poſſet-drink to remove the *Plague* from the heart, that is, an Ale poſſet-drink with Pimpernel ſeethed in it, till it taſtes ſtrong of it, drank often, removes the Infection, though it hath got to the very heart. 3. Another approved remedy againſt the *Plague*, Take a ſprig of *Rue*, otherwiſe called *Herb-of-grace*, and ſhred it, and put it in a Fig or two, and eat it every Morning faſting, it keeps the body from Infection, and purifieth the blood; withall, ſpare exceſs of drinking, eſpecially Ale and Bottle-drink, and be very temperate in the Liquors, Tobacco is good every morning, and a great preſervative againſt the Infection.

Amongſt the many Preſcriptions for the Cure of the Plague which we have publiſhed, this is very effectual, and if carefully obſerved (by Gods bleſſing) may cure many.

At the firſt taking of the Infection, or when they find themſelves ill with the accuſtomed Symptoms, as in other highly malignant Feavers, let them empty their Stomack (if full or foul) with *Cardus* Poſſet in a large quantity, or warm water; and if need be, take a Clyſter of Milk and Sugar. Then betaking themſelves to bed, drink a good draught of warm Poſſet-Ale with a little Vinegar, and as much as a good Walnut of *London*-Treacle diſſolved in it; or take the Treacle firſt, and drink the Poſſet-Ale after; and ſo without their ſhifts let them ſweat twenty four hours or more, renewing the Treacle and Poſſet-Ale every ſixth or ſeventh hour, but in half the proportion; and in the mean while, let them be refreſhed with Poſſet-Ale, or Grewel, or Oatmeal Caudle, or Broth in which Harts-horn, Mace, Marjoram and Marigold flowers are boiled: Beſides, they may take two or three ſpoonfuls of Plague-water. At firſt alſo let large Bliſters be raiſed under the Ears, near the Armholes and Groins, and kept running till the Diſtemper be over. Mithridate and *Venice*-Treacle are alſo very effectual in like manner taken, but in half the quantity. *For Prevention, this:*

Take a pint of Whitewine-Vinegar, two ounces of *London-Treacle*, mix them well in a Glaſs-bottle: take one good ſpoonful every morning and evening if you go abroad; or take half a ſpoonful of Bole-Armen. with two ſpoonfuls of Plague-water or Angelica-water every morning. Take once a week three Pills of Ruffus at bed-time. Hold oft in your mouth Myrrh or Zedoaria. Take heed of heating the Blood any way. Avoid Fruits, eſpecially Plums, Melons, Cucumers, &c. Keep to a ſpare and ſingle Diet. This, under that great Preſerver, *Gods Protection*, may be a good ſecurity.

An approved Remedy againſt the Peſtilence be it never ſo vehement.

Take an Onion and cut him overthwart, then make a little hole in each piece, the which you ſhall fill with fine Treacle, then ſet the pieces together again as they were before, then wrap them in a white linnen cloth. Puting it ſo to roaſt in the Embers and Aſhes, then when it is roaſted enough, preſs out all the juyce of it and give the Patient a ſpoonful thereof to drink: and ſo by Gods help he ſhall feel eaſe, and moſt undoubtedly be healed.

Buried within the 97 Pariſhes within the Walls, of all Diſeaſes——93, Whereof, of the PLAGUE —— 23

St. Andrews Holborn	35	*St. Botolph Aldgate*	1	*St. Saviours Southwark*	0
St. Bartholomew Great	4	*St. Botolph Biſhopſgate*	17	*St. Sepulchres Pariſh*	48
St. Bartholomew Leſſe	0	*St. Dunſtans Weſt*	5	*St. Thomas Southwark*	2
St. Brides Pariſh	7	*St. George Southwark*	2	*Trinity Minories*	0
Bridewel Precinct	2	*St. Giles Cripplegate*	32	*At the Peſthouſe*	5
St. Botolph Aldersgate	4	*St. Olaves Southwark*	2		

Buried in the 16 Pariſhes without the Walls, and at the Peſthouſe, of the Plague——166

St. Giles in the Fields	149	*Lambeth Pariſh*	0	*St. Mary Iſlington*	2
Hackney Pariſh	0	*St. Leonard Shoreditch*	7	*St. Mary Whitechappel*	6
St. James Clerkenwel	10	*St. Magdalen Bermond*	0	*Redriff Pariſh*	0
St. Katharine Tower	0	*St. Mary Newington*	0	*Stepney Pariſh*	2

Buried in the 12 out Pariſhes in *Middleſex* and *Surrey* of the Plague——176

St. Clement Danes	19	*St. Mary Savoy*	4
St. Paul Covent Garden	1	*St. Margaret Weſtminſter*	26
St. Martins in the Fields	55	*Whereof at the* Peſthouſe	4

Buried in the 5 Pariſhes, in the City and Liberties of *Weſtminſter*, of the Plague——105

Buried of all Diſeaſes —— 1006 —— Plague —— 470 —— Increaſed in the Burials this Week—322. Pariſhes clear —— 79. Infected —— 33

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* * In and about *London*, from the 2. of *Decem.* 1624. to the 23 of *Decem.* 1625. of all Diſeaſes — 63001. in *London* and the Liberties: *Aug.* 18. 1625. of all Diſeaſes, 5205. of the Plague — 4463. the ſame year; *March* 9. of all Diſeaſes in *London*, and the Liberties in one week but —— 141. Of the Plague none. *A Miracle of Mercy*: Glory be to the moſt HIGH.